

# LEAD ELIMINATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Virginia is "leaping" forward to replace LSLs

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## INTRODUCTION

The Financial & Construction Assistance Programs (FCAP) in ODW at VDH established its **Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR)** Program in 2017.



The **Lead Elimination Assistance Program "LEAP"** campaign was recently launched to promote the program and to educate both localities and homeowners about the dangers of lead service lines.

## PARTNERSHIPS

As of 2021, LEAP is currently partnered with:

- **City of Richmond** (Department of Public Utilities)
- **City of Alexandria** (VA American Water)
- **Henry County** (Fieldale)
- **City of Chesapeake** (Department of Public Utilities)

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### Eligibility:

- Funding is available for **community waterworks** or **non-profit non-transient waterworks** owners with confirmed or suspected LSLs (includes utility and/or customer portion of the service line)
- **Single family homes** and **apartments** are both eligible. For apartments, documentation is needed for each unit even if the plumbing is identical
- **Schools** and **daycares** are eligible but are targeted through **WIIN funding**. Contact [Tony.Singh@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:Tony.Singh@vdh.virginia.gov) for more information: (804) 864-7517

### Funding available:

- Up to **\$5,000 in grant rebates** for each service line replaced on the homeowner's side of the meter
- **Up to \$500** of the \$5,000 may be used for **admin/investigative work**
- VDH reserves the right to limit the grant to a total of **\$500,000 per applicant** per funding year, and the admin costs to \$25,000
- **\$2M is allocated** for LEAP per funding application cycle

### Restrictions:

- Must be a **complete replacement**
- Partial replacements are only allowed if it **results in a complete replacement**
- **Excludes premise plumbing** (sinks, toilets, etc.) - however, it does include pipe entry at or into the structure, up to and including the shut off valve